

THE following Returns of Births and Deaths registered in South Australia during the undermentioned period are published for general information.

Chief Secretary's Office, Adelaide, February 10th, 1896.
J. H. GORDON, Chief Secretary.

Return of Births and Deaths registered in South Australia, exclusive of the Northern Territory, in the Month of December, 1890-95.

Years	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	Average of Five Years.	1895.											Total for 1895.
*Population, Dec. 1st	313,444	319,237	329,903	341,025	345,888		350,171											
Births.....	744	817	815	739	816	786	750											10,517
Rate per cent.	·237	·256	·247	·217	·236	—	·214											
Deaths —							All Ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 5.	5 and under 20.	20 and under 40.	40 and under 60.	60 and under 80.	80 and upwards.	Not stated.	+Coroners' Inquiries.	+Uncertified causes of Death.	
All causes	325	461	296	453	342	375	425	131	22	40	79	53	81	19	—	54	16	3,921
Rate per cent.	·104	·144	·090	·133	·099	—	·121	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Diseases—																		
I. Specific Febrile or Zymotic ..	52	128	40	121	62	—	88	37	3	11	11	11	12	3	—	—	—	
II. Parasitic	1	2	1	1	2	—	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
III. Dietic	7	6	2	5	4	—	7	6	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
IV. Constitutional..	47	69	63	68	55	—	67	7	4	10	26	12	8	—	—	—	—	
V. Developmental..	20	58	25	52	36	—	36	10	—	—	—	—	15	11	—	—	—	
VI. Local	161	143	117	157	137	—	173	48	12	11	32	25	40	5	—	—	—	
VII. Violence	18	17	15	26	28	—	29	2	2	8	9	5	3	—	—	—	—	
VIII. Ill-defined and not specified causes	19	38	33	23	18	—	23	20	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	

* The numbers represent the population of South Australia proper, and are exclusive of that of the Northern Territory (European and Chinese), and also of the number of the aborigines.
+ Including inquests.
‡ Not certified by qualified practitioners.

Causes of Deaths registered in the Month of December, 1895.

	Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.
I.			V.			Diseases of locomotive system	—	1
Measles	—	1	Premature birth.....	9	—	Diseases of integumentary system.....	—	2
Scarlet fever	—	—	Cyanosis	—	—	VII.		
Relapsing fever	—	—	Congenital defects	1	—	(Accident.)		
Influenza	—	28	Old age	—	26	Fracture and contusion....	—	8
Whooping-cough	1	—	VI.			Gunshot wound	—	1
Diphtheria	1	3	Apoplexy	—	9	Cut, stab.....	—	—
Simple and ill-defined fever..	—	—	Epilepsy	—	2	Burn and scald	—	—
Enteric fever	—	8	Convulsions	7	2	Poison	—	—
Simple cholera	1	—	Other diseases of brain and nervous system	7	17	Drowning	—	8
Diarrhoea, dysentery.....	33	8	Diseases of organs of special sense	—	—	Suffocation	1	2
Remittent fever	—	—	Diseases of circulatory system	1	28	Otherwise	1	4
Venereal affections.....	—	—	Croup	—	1	(Homicide.)		
Erysipelas	1	1	Bronchitis	4	7	Murder and manslaughter..	—	1
Pyæmia and septicæmia	—	2	Pneumonia	—	11	(Suicide.)		
Puerperal fever	—	—	Pleurisy	—	3	Gunshot wound.....	—	3
Other zymotic diseases	—	—	Other diseases of respiratory system.....	1	2	Cut, stab.....	—	—
II.			Dentition	7	1	Poison	—	—
Thrush	1	—	Quinsy, sore throat	—	—	Drowning	—	—
Worms and other parasitical diseases	—	1	Enteritis	17	4	Hanging	—	—
III.			Peritonitis	—	8	Otherwise	—	—
Privation—want of breast milk	6	1	Diseases of liver.....	1	3	(Execution.)		
Alcoholism	—	—	Other diseases of digestive system.....	2	8	Hanging	—	—
IV.			Diseases of lymphatic system and of ductless glands	—	—	VIII.		
Rheumatic fever and rheumatism of heart	—	2	Diseases of urinary system	1	10	Dropsy	—	—
Rheumatism	—	1	Diseases of generative system	—	3	Debility, atrophy, inanition	19	—
Gout	—	2	Accidents of childbirth....	—	3	Mortification	—	—
Cancer, malignant disease	—	6				Tumor	—	1
Tabes mesenterica	2	—				Abscess	1	—
Tubercular meningitis	1	5				Hæmorrhage	—	—
Phthisis	1	30				Sudden, cause unascertained	—	—
Scrofula, tuberculosis	3	9				Other ill-defined and not specified causes	—	2
Other constitutional diseases..	—	5						

Return of Births and Deaths registered in the City of Adelaide in the Month of December, 1890-95.

Years	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	Average of Five Years.	1895.											Total for 1895.
Population, Jan. 1st	37,189	37,727	38,240	39,073	39,749		40,167											
Births	77	85	89	72	90	83	68											1,091
Rate per cent.....	·207	·225	·232	·184	·226	—	·169											
<i>Deaths—</i>							All Ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 5.	5 and under 20.	20 and under 40.	40 and under 60.	60 and under 80.	80 and upwards.	Not stated.	*Coroner's inquiries.	+Uncerti- fied causes of death.	
All causes	83	120	58	72	79	82	107	21	3	12	29	15	21	6	—	6	—	885
Rate per cent	·223	·318	·152	·184	·199	—	·266	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>Diseases—</i>																		
I. Specific Febrile or Zymotic ..	8	28	5	10	20	—	16	2	2	3	2	2	4	1	—	—	—	
II. Parasitic	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
III. Dietic	3	4	1	1	2	—	4	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
IV. Constitutional ..	16	19	15	14	16	—	22	1	1	4	11	1	4	—	—	—	—	
V. Developmental...	8	22	1	6	6	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	
VI. Local	41	32	22	30	27	—	55	12	—	5	15	12	9	2	—	—	—	
VII. Violence	3	4	2	8	4	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	
VIII. Ill-defined and not specified causes	3	9	11	3	3	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

* Including inquests.

+ Not certified by qualified practitioners.

Causes of Deaths registered in the Month of December, 1895.

	Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.
I.						Accidents of childbirth	—	1
Measles	—	1	Scrofula, tuberculosis	—	5	Diseases of locomotive system	—	—
Scarlet fever	—	—	Other constitutional diseases	—	—	Diseases of integumentary system	—	—
Relapsing fever	—	—						
Influenza	—	6	V.			VII. (Accident.)		
Whooping-cough	—	—	Premature birth	—	—	Fracture and contusion	—	—
Diphtheria	—	1	Cyanosis	—	—	Gunshot wound	—	—
Simple and ill-defined fever ..	—	—	Congenital defects	—	—	Cut, stab	—	—
Enteric fever	—	2	Old age	—	5	Burn and scald	—	—
Simple cholera	—	—				Poison	—	—
Diarrhoea, dysentery	2	4	VI.			Drowning	—	—
Remittent fever	—	—	Apoplexy	—	1	Suffocation	—	—
Venereal affections	—	—	Epilepsy	—	—	Otherwise	—	1
Erysipelas	—	—	Convulsions	2	—	(Homicide.)		
Pyæmia and septicæmia	—	—	Other diseases of brain and nervous system	2	8	Murder and manslaughter..	—	1
Puerperal fever	—	—	Diseases of organs of special sense	—	—	(Suicide.)		
Other zymotic diseases	—	—	Diseases of circulatory system	1	10	Gunshot wound	—	—
II.			Croup	—	—	Cut, stab	—	—
Thrush	—	—	Bronchitis	—	1	Poison	—	—
Worms and other parasitical diseases	—	—	Pneumonia	—	3	Drowning	—	—
III.			Pleurisy	—	—	Hanging	—	—
Privation—want of breast milk	3	1	Other diseases of respiratory system	—	1	Otherwise	—	—
Alcoholism	—	—	Dentition	2	—	(Execution)		
IV.			Quinsy, sore throat	—	—	Hanging	—	—
Rheumatic fever and rheuma- tism of heart	—	—	Enteritis	4	1			
Rheumatism	—	1	Peritonitis	—	5	VIII.		
Gout	—	1	Diseases of liver	—	1	Dropsy	—	—
Cancer, malignant disease ..	—	2	Other diseases of digestive system	1	2	Debility, atrophy, inanition	3	—
Tabes mesenterica	—	—	Diseases of lymphatic sys- tem and of ductless glands	—	—	Mortification	—	—
Tubercular meningitis	1	2	Diseases of urinary system	—	6	Tumor	—	—
Phthisis	—	10	Diseases of generative system	—	3	Abscess	—	—
						Hæmorrhage	—	—
						Sudden, cause unascertained	—	—
						Other ill-defined and not specified causes	—	—

Return of Births and Deaths registered in each Ward of the City of Adelaide, exclusive of Deaths in Public Institutions, of persons not usually resident in the city, in the Month of December, 1895.

	Total.	Hindmarsh.	Gawler.	Grey.	Young.	Robe.	MacDonnell.
Area in acres.....	3,632	573	659	552	718	480	650
Estimated population January 1st	40,167	6,308	6,994	8,409	9,777	3,703	4,976
Persons to an acre	11·0	11·0	10·6	15·2	13·6	7·7	7·6
Births	68	13	9	19	15	6	6
Male	39	9	5	12	7	5	1
Female	29	4	4	7	8	1	5
Deaths	86	24	9	15	17	7	14
Male	41	12	7	4	10	1	7
Female	45	12	2	11	7	6	7
CLASSES.							
I. Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases.....	15	4	—	3	2	2	4
II. Parasitic Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
III. Dietic Diseases.....	4	1	2	1	—	—	—
IV. Constitutional Diseases	17	4	2	3	3	2	3
V. Developmental Diseases	4	2	—	2	—	—	—
VI. Local Diseases	42	12	5	6	12	2	5
VII. Violence.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
VIII. Ill-defined and not specified causes	3	1	—	—	—	1	1
Percentage of Deaths to population of each Ward	·214	·380	·129	·177	·174	·189	·282

Causes of Deaths registered in the Month of December, 1895.

	Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.		Under One Year.	One Year and Above.
I.			Phthisis.....	—	9	Accidents of childbirth	—	1
Measles	—	1	Scrofula, tuberculosis	—	3	Diseases of locomotive system	—	—
Scarlet fever	—	—	Other constitutional diseases.	—	—	Diseases of integumentary system	—	—
Relapsing fever	—	—				VII.		
Influenza	—	6	V.			(Accident.)		
Whooping-cough	—	—	Premature birth	—	—	Fracture and contusion	—	—
Diphtheria	—	1	Cyanosis	—	—	Gunshot wound	—	—
Simple and ill-defined fever ..	—	—	Congenital defects	—	—	Cut, stab	—	—
Enteric fever	—	2	Old age	—	4	Burn and scald	—	—
Simple cholera	—	—				Poison	—	—
Diarrhoea, dysentery	2	3	VI.			Drowning	—	—
Remittent fever	—	—	Apoplexy	—	1	Suffocation	—	—
Venereal affections.....	—	—	Epilepsy	—	—	Otherwise	—	—
Erysipelas	—	—	Convulsions	2	—	(Homicide.)		
Pyæmia and septicæmia	—	—	Other diseases of brain and nervous system.....	2	4	Murder and manslaughter ..	—	—
Puerperal fever	—	—	Diseases of organs of special sense	—	—	(Suicide.)		
Other zymotic diseases	—	—	Diseases of circulatory system	1	10	Gunshot wound	—	—
II.			Croup	—	—	Cut, stab	—	—
Thrush	—	—	Bronchitis	—	1	Poison	—	—
Worms and other parasitical diseases	—	—	Pneumonia	—	2	Drowning	—	—
			Pleurisy	—	—	Hanging	—	—
III.			Other diseases of respiratory system	—	—	Otherwise	—	1
Privation — Want of breast milk.....	3	1	Dentition	2	—	(Execution)		
Alcoholism	—	—	Quinsy, sore throat ..	—	—	Hanging	—	—
			Enteritis	4	1	VIII.		
IV.			Peritonitis	—	3	Dropsy	—	—
Rheumatic fever and rheu- matism of heart	—	—	Diseases of liver	—	1	Debility, atrophy, inanition	3	—
Rheumatism	—	1	Other diseases of digestive system	1	1	Mortification.....	—	—
Gout	—	1	Diseases of lymphatic system and of ductless glands	—	—	Tumor	—	—
Cancer, malignant disease ..	—	—	Diseases of urinary system ..	—	4	Abscess	—	—
Tabes mesenterica	—	—	Diseases of generative system	—	1	Hæmorrhage	—	—
Tubercular meningitis	1	2				Sudden, cause unascertained.	—	—
						Other ill-defined and not spe- cified causes	—	—

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DECEMBER, 1895.

The highest temperature in the shade at the Adelaide Observatory during the month was 99°·8 on the 7th; and the lowest, 50°·2, on the 22nd. The mean temperature of the month was 70°·8.

The greatest range of the thermometer in one day, 37°·7, took place on the 24th, viz., from a maximum of 93°·6 to a minimum of 55°·9; the lowest range, 15°·8, on the 11th.

The mean height of the barometer was 29·739 inches; the maximum, 30·040 inches, occurred on the 22nd; and the minimum, 29·397 inches, on the 4th.

Observatory, Adelaide, January 13th, 1896. C. TODD, Observer.

Births and Deaths registered in the undermentioned Corporate Towns in the Quarter ended December 31st, 1895.

Corporate Towns.	Estimated Population Jan. 1st, 1895	Registered during Quarter.			The Deaths registered in the Quarter include Deaths from—								
		Births.	Deaths.		Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Diph- theria.	Whooping Cough.	Enteric Fever.	Diarrhœa and Dysentery.	Diseases of Respira- tory System.	Phthisis.	Diseases of Circula- tory System.
			Total.	Under One Year.									
Adelaide	40,167	253	291	45	1	—	1	—	5	9	24	33	23
Hindmarsh	9,050	64	40	9	—	—	1	1	1	2	4	5	2
Thebarton	4,314	30	15	5	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1
Port Adelaide	5,423	28	20	6	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	2	2
Semaphore	7,966	55	25	8	—	—	—	—	2	1	4	1	2
Glenelg	3,964	24	17	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	1
Brighton	943	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unley	12,764	106	48	23	—	—	—	—	—	10	4	1	5
St. Peters	6,313	37	20	10	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	—	1
Kensington and Norwood	12,941	76	52	20	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	5	4
Gawler	2,268	9	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
Kapunda	2,176	16	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3
Burra	2,453	24	8	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1
Clare	1,039	8	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—
Jamestown	1,170	9	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
Port Augusta	1,428	16	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Port Pirie	4,625	36	26	16	—	—	—	—	1	5	2	—	1
Kadina	1,674	18	11	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Moonta	1,679	10	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Walleroo	1,882	16	21	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—
Goolwa	704	12	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Strathalbyn	894	8	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
Mount Gambier	2,889	19	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1

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